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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 3 October 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

10 a.m. 23rd PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Oman

Sri Lanka

Ethiopia

Australia

Address by His Excellency The Honourable Kenny D. Anthony, Prime Minister, Minister for Finance, Planning, Information and the Public Services of Saint Lucia

Rwanda

Madagascar

(continued overleaf)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 7) for the general debate of the fifty-second session of the General Assembly is now available at the General Assembly Secretariat Services Branch (room S-3670).

3 p.m.	24th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Jordan

Maldives

Solomon Islands

Guinea

Yemen

Congo

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	5th meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Improving the financial situation of the United Nations [117]

   Statement by the Under-Secretary-General of the Department of Management.

2. Human resources management [153]

   Implementation of General Assembly resolution 51/226 (A/51/955 and A/C.5/51/58)

Morning*-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on agenda item 142 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: (a) Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations; United Nations Logistics Base, Brindisi (A/51/905, A/51/803 and A/52/380); and Proposals on the management of peacekeeping assets (A/50/907, A/50/985, A/51/957 and A/52/407))

* Following the adjournment of the 5th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 51/210 OF 17 DECEMBER 1996

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	16th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	17th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola (MONUA)/Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (UNAVEM)

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMISSION ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

OPEN-ENDED AD HOC INTERGOVERNMENTAL FORUM ON FORESTS

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	5th meeting	Conference Room 4
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	6th meeting	Conference Room 4

1. Programme of work of the Intergovernmental Forum on Forests [3] (E/CN.17/IFF/1997/2)

   Continuation and conclusion of the general discussion

2. Dates and venues of future sessions [4]

   Continuation and conclusion of the general discussion

3. Other matters [5]

4. Adoption of the report of the Forum on its first session [6] (E/CN.17/1997/IFF/L.1)

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION

ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Friday, 3 October 1997

GROUP OF 27 OF THE GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND, THIRD AND FOURTH COMMITTEES

(on renewing the United Nations: a programme for reform)

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

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The Ministerial Meeting of the Special Conference on Liberia will be held *today*, 3 October 1997, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The Meeting will be open for the Secretary-General's portion only.

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Briefing

There will be an informal briefing on matters pertaining to the work of the Commission on Sustainable Development, under the chairmanship of Dr. Mostafa Tolba, *today*, 3 October 1997, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

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Informal meeting

Closed consultations among members of the Security Council and troop contributors on the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission (UNIKOM) will take place *today*, 3 October 1997, at 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

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Announcement

As from Wednesday, 1 October 1997, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings from 1 to 3 October will take place at 3.30 p.m in Conference Room E, and thereafter in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, 6 October 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

10 a.m. — 25th PLENARY MEETING — General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Glafcos Clerides, President of the Republic of Cyprus.

2. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

San Marino

Azerbaijan

Barbados

Djibouti

Mongolia

Gambia

3 p.m. — 26th PLENARY MEETING — General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Guinea-Bissau

Bhutan

Suriname

Botswana

Grenada

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.	3rd meeting	Conference Room 2

FIFTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	6th meeting	Conference Room 3
Afternoon*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

* Following the adjournment of the 6th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	3rd meeting	Conference Room 1

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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FIRST COMMITTEE

The First Committee will hold an informal meeting to consider its programme of work for the current session. The meeting will take place on Tuesday, 7 October 1997, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The draft programme of work is available at the secretariat of the First Committee (room S-3170C).

The First Committee will hold its 2nd meeting to consider the organization of work. The meeting will take place onThursday, 9 October 1997, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2.

The First Committee will begin the general debate on its agenda items on Monday, 13 October 1997. Delegations are urged to inscribe their names on the list of speakers, as soon as possible, with the secretariat (tel.: 963-5584).

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SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its 3rd meeting on Monday, 6 October 1997, at 10 a.m. sharp in Conference Room 2. The Committee will begin its substantive work (in accordance with the approved programme contained in document A/C.4/52/L.1). Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to decolonization items are kindly requested to contact the secretariat (room S-3380, tel. 963-9223).

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SECOND COMMITTEE

As recommended in General Assembly resolution 50/227, the Second Committee will hold informal consultations on all organizational matters on Thursday, 9 October 1997, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

The lists of speakers for the general debate, and all other items allocated to the Second Committee, are open for inscription. The general debate is scheduled to begin on Monday, 13 October 1997, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the lists are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Second Committee (Ms. June Knesl, tel.: 212-963-5709, fax: 212-963-5935).

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The lists of speakers for all items allocated to the Third Committee are open for inscription by delegations. The Committee will begin its substantive work (in accordance with the programme contained in document A/C.3/52/L.1, as approved by the Committee at its 2nd meeting) on Monday, 13 October 1997, at 3 p.m. sharp. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Secretary of the Committee (Ms. Kate Starr Newell, tel.: 212-963-4248; fax: 212-963-5935 or 963-1712).

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International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

The Seventeenth Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights will take place at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 7 October 1997, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2, in order to hold elections to fill a vacancy in the Human Rights Committee. Credentials should be submitted to the New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (room S-2914).

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The first part of the resumed substantive session of 1997 of the Economic and Social Council will be convened on Wednesday, 8 October 1997, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The second part will be convened in December 1997. The provisional agenda for the resumed substantive session is contained in document E/1997/109. The items will be taken up as follows:

8 October 1997:

1. Reports, conclusions and recommendations of subsidiary bodies: Environmental questions: sustainable development: Arrangements for elections to the Bureau of the Committee on Sustainable Development; Future meetings of the Intergovernmental Forum on Forests [7(b)]

2. Postponed elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments (E/1997/L.60, E/1997/L.19, E/1997/L.22 and E/1997/L.1/Add.3)

December 1997:

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters: Selection of the themes for the high-level and coordination segments for the 1998 substantive session of the Council (E/1997/91, E/1997/92 and Add.1) [1]

2. Coordination, programme and other questions: Proclamation of international years [6 (i)] (E/1997/L.32)

3. Reports, conclusions and recommendations of subsidiary bodies: Human rights questions [7 (d)] E/1997/L.23 and Add.2 and E/1997/L.44)

4. Implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/227 [12] (A/52/155-E/1997/68 and Add.1, E/1996/97 and Add.1).

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In accordance with the decision taken at its resumed organizational session on 5 September 1997, the Committee for Programme and Coordination will hold its resumed thirty-seventh session at United Nations Headquarters for up to 5 days beginning Monday, 13 October 1997, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The annotated provisional agenda has been issued as document E/AC.51/ 1997/Add.1.

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The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the Chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Ahmad Kamal (Pakistan), on Tuesday, 14 October 1997 at 11 a.m. sharp in Conference Room C.

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The Bureau of the Commission on the Status of Women invites delegations to propose names for panellists to participate in the forty-second session of the Commission (2-13 March 1998). The topics of the panels will be: (1) women and armed conflict; (2) human rights of women; (3) the girl child; and (4) violence against women. Delegations are kindly requested to submit names, indicating the specific panel for which they are being proposed, to the Division for the Advancement of Women (DC 2-1216), *no later than* Friday, 31 October 1997.

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Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

The Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will hold informal consultations on the reports of the Executive Board field visits to Jamaica, Turks and Caicos Islands and Cuba (DP/1997/CRP.24) and to Kyrgyzstan and Latvia (DP/1997/CRP.26) on Thursday, 9 October 1997, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a Workshop on the art of public speaking and managing meetings (chairing and participating) for members of permanent missions in New York. The workshop will be held from Wednesday, 15 to Friday, 17 October 1997.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to the permanent representatives on 24 September 1997. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603, tel.: 963-9196).

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 2 October 1997

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-second session

21st plenary meeting

Continuation of the general debate [9]

The General Assembly heard a statement by H.E. Sheikh Hamad Bin Jassim Bin Jabor Al-Thani, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Qatar.

H.E. The Honourable Edison James, Prime Minister and Minister for External Affairs, Legal Affairs, Labour and Immigration of the Commonwealth of Dominica, addressed the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Ivan Antonovich, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Belarus, H.E. Mr. Modibo Sidibé, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Mali and for Malians living abroad, H.E. Mr. Casimir Oye Mba, Minister of State and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Gabon, H.E. The Honourable Amusaa Mwanamwambwa, Minister for Tourism and Acting Minister for Foreign Affairs of Zambia, H.E. The Honourable Phillip Muller, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade of the Marshall Islands, and H.E. Mr. Monie Captan, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Liberia.

22nd plenary meeting

Continuation of the general debate [9]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Moustapha Niasse, Minister of State, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Senegal and for Senegalese people living abroad, H.E. Mr. Mohammed Said Al-Sahaf, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Iraq, H.E. Dr. Leonardo Santos Simão, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Mozambique, H.E. Mr. Mahamat Saleh Annadif, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Chad, H.E. Mr. Choe Su Hon, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, H.E. Mr. Amara Essy, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Côte d'Ivoire, and H.E. Mr. Luc Rukingama, Minister for External Relations and Cooperation of Burundi.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of the United States, Kuwait, Croatia (also on behalf of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Slovenia), Turkey, the United Kingdom, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Iraq.

The representative of the United Republic of Tanzania made a statement on a point of order.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMISSION ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

OPEN-ENDED AD HOC INTERGOVERNMENTAL FORUM ON FORESTS

Organizational session

3rd meeting

Programme of work of the Intergovernmental Forum on Forests [3]

Dates and venues of future sessions [5]

The Forum continued its joint consideration of the items.

Statements were made by the representatives of Japan, Guyana, Colombia, the Philippines, Brazil, Australia, Indonesia, Venezuela, India, Germany, Sweden, Finland and France.

Statements were also made by the observers for Turkey, the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Algeria, Costa Rica, Malaysia, Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union) and Denmark.

Statements were made by the observers of the following non-governmental organizations: Forest Peoples Programme, National Wildlife Federation and the International Alliance of Indigenous and Tribal Peoples of the Tropical Forests.

Organization of work

Statements were made by the representatives of Canada, Venezuela and the Philippines, as well as by the observers for Nigeria and Luxembourg (on behalf of the European Union).

The representative of the secretariat made a statement of clarification.

4th meeting

Programme of work of the Intergovernmental Forum on Forests [3]

Dates and venues of future sessions [5]

The Forum continued its joint consideration of the items.

Statements were made by the representatives of Canada and the Philippines, as well as by the observer for the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

A statement was made by the representative of the secretariat.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Co-Chairperson.

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Convention on the Rights of the Child

COMMITTEE ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
Sixteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

THURSDAY, 2 OCTOBER 1997

414th (closed) meeting

Consideration of reports of States parties [4]

The Committee concluded the item in closed session

415th meeting

Consideration of reports of States parties [4]

The Committee began its consideration of the initial report of Trinidad and Tobago (CRC/C/11/Add.10).

In accordance with the Committee's provisional rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and observations made by members of the Committee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

World Habitat Day 1997

World Habitat Day will be observed on Monday, 6 October 1997, from 9.30 a.m. to 6.30 p.m in the Dag Hammarksjöld Library Auditorium. The meeting will consist of two panels, organized by the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat) in collaboration with the Wellness Foundation, Columbia University, City College of New York, and Pratt Institute, on the theme "Future Cities". The main focus of the panel discussions is on the role of partnership in the struggle towards sustainable human settlements. This event also includes the presentation of a United Nations film entitled "A Cyber-tale of Three Cities", shown at the 1997 Venice Film Festival. All members of delegations, Secretariat staff and the representatives of the non-governmental organizations are invited.

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Training courses for permanent missions

The second set of off-site Internet training course has been scheduled by the Information Technology Services Division (ITSD) to take place from 17 to 24 November 1997. The list of attendees should be submitted by Monday, 10 November, to Glenda San Pedro (fax: 963-0952). The courses offered will be: Netscape 3.0; Intermediate Internet; Introduction to HTML; Intermediate HTML; and Creating a Website.

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE EDITOR

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